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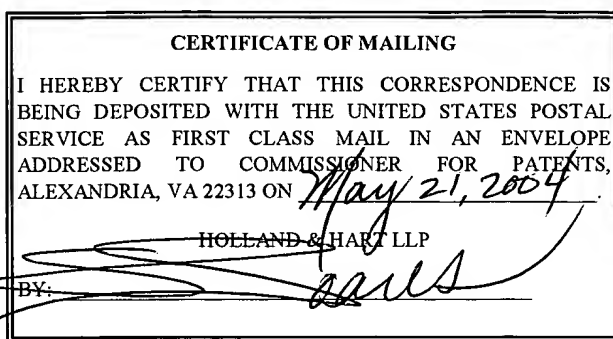
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For: "BLOCK DATA STORAGE
WITHIN A COMPUTER
NETWORK"

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Dear Sir:

) Art Unit: 2141
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) Examiner: Coulter, Kenneth Technology Center 2100
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) Confirmation No.: 5249
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) REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME



The assignee of the above-identified application, through its attorney, respectfully petitions for an extension of time under 37 CFR §1.136(a) of one (1) month to respond to the Office Action mailed on January 21, 2004, with respect to the above-identified application, thereby extending the period for response from April 21, 2004 to May 21, 2004.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$55.00 as payment for the extension fee. Please credit any overpayment or debit any underpayment to Deposit Account No. 08-2623.

Respectfully submitted,

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